

Fort Braden's Summer Reading for Middle School  
2012-2013

This summer, students will read one of the following books:

- *Sorta Sister*, by: Adrian Fogleman
- *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*, by: Mark Twain

Complete assignments 1-6 below and turn in to your Language Arts teacher the first week of the 2012-2013 school year.

1. **Title of the Book**
2. **Author of the Book**
3. **Characters:** Write the name of the main characters and give a brief description of each.
4. **Before reading:** Look at the title of the book, pictures on the front, and read the reviews on the back of the novel; based on that information Predict what you think the story will be about.
5. **During Reading:**  
Summarize each Chapter: Begin with the setting of that chapter (where is it taking place and when) Summarize by writing at least 3 main events in that took place in the chapter.
6. **After reading:**  
Choose one of the following ways to respond: The length should be as long as a 5-paragraph essay.
  - a. Write a letter to one of the characters in the novel. Ask him/her questions as well as tell about yourself.
  - b. If you could change places with one of the characters, who would it be? Why? Which character is most like you? Why?
  - c. Create a newspaper page for one of the novels. Summarize the plot in one of your articles. Cover the weather in another. Include an editorial and a collection of ads that would be pertinent to the novel.
  - d. Pretend you are a newspaper reporter whose job is to interview one of the characters. Write your interview.
  - e. You have become a character in one of the novels. Describe your experience during a conflict.
  - f. Create a story chain for your novel that consists of at least ten links.
  - g. Redesign the front and back cover of your novel. Include the pertinent information as well as a blurb on the back.
  - h. Create a diorama for your novel that depicts the most important scene. Write a summary of this scene, explaining its role in the storyline.